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Occupied Germany

In the following Appendices "A", "B", and "C" are summaries of cases and deaths by Regierungsbezirk and Land, and case rates by Regierungsbezirk and Land for the week ending 8 June 1946. Summarized in Appendix "D" is a report of Animal Diseases by Regierungsbezirk and Land for the two week period 1—15 May 1946 (Veterinary reports are submitted semi-monthly.).

Communicable Diseases:

For the third week this year there were no reported cases of typhus fever in the U.S. Zone. There has been an increased incidence in the reported cases of gonorrhea and syphilis in all of the Laender, Bremen, and the U.S. Sector of Berlin during the week. There was also an increased incidence of diphtheria in Land Wuerttemberg-Baden, Land Bavaria, and the U. S. Sector of Berlin with a decreased incidence in Greater Hesse. In Land Bavaria there has been an increased incidence of reported cases of malaria but a decreased incidence in U. S. Sector of Berlin. Berlin, U. S. Sector, also reports an increased incidence of typhoid fever but a decreased incidence of dysentery. Thirty-three cases of bacillary dysentery were reported in the reception camp of Schwaebisch Gmuend among German expellees who had come from Lager Reichenau, Kreis Gablenz, in North Bohemia. The outbreak is now under control and is being watched closely by local and Land public health officials. A minor outbreak of typhoid fever was reported from Wernau Kreis Eslingen, Wuerttemberg-Baden. Public Health authorities are investigating the source of infection which is believed to be milk.

Nutrition:

Land Wuerttemberg-Baden reports that among expellees from Slovakia arriving in Unterjettingen, Kreis Boeblingen, most children under four years of age show evidence of rickets and nearly all children are up to 20 % underweight. These expellees came from a camp where they reported they had been held for one year. An accelerated weighing program has been instituted by Public Health officers in Wuerttemberg-Baden with particular emphasis on expellees and school children in addition to the routine sampling of the population already in effect.

Hospitalization:

Bremen reports release of material to complete the much needed barracks annexes to the City Hospital. Also, in Wesermunde, part of the Mitte Hospital which has been used for office space, has now reverted to the Health Department and will be used for hospital space.

Medical Supplies:

In Bremen, a total of 600 kgs. Codliver Oil from captured stocks is now available for children and certain hospital cases as a nutrition supplement during the present food emergency. Request has been made for release of additional stocks of Codliver Oil.

Veneral Disease:

Land Wuerttemberg-Baden reports a very satisfactory VD program in progress with 29 VD Centers, approximately one in each Kreis, and penicillin being used in each center. The VD rate in the Land has begun to level off. Ninety percent cures are reported with a single course of treatment and out of approximately 2000 cases treated with penicillin during the month of May only 24 complete failures were reported.

Animal Diseases:

During the period of 1—15 May 1946, in the order of most farmsteads infected, the six most prevalent diseases were swine erysipelas, fowl plague, equine scabies, equine infectious anemia, fowl cholera, and hog cholera.

APPENDIX "A"

Communicable Disease Report United States Zone of Germany for Week Ending 8 June 1946

Regierungs- bezirk	Popu- lation	Cases, Deaths	Reported Number of New CASES and DEATHS of COMMUNICABLE DISEASE																								c: Cases d: Deaths		
			Typhus Fever louse borne	Relapsing Fever	Smallpox	Cholera	Plague	Anthrax	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis lung and larynx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningitis meningococcus	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid	Dysentery infectious	Bact. Food poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infectious jaundice	Scabies	Rabies	Encephalitis epidemic	Malaria	Influenza	Measles	
TOTAL US Zone	£ 15,570,584	c p	—	—	—	—	—	737 10	183 —	713 212	98 14	671 3	6 2	2717 —	754 3	59 3	15 —	56 —	18 1	2 —	11 —	4342 —	—	—	—	34 —	36 —	133 —	
Mainfranken	927,000	c p	—	—	—	—	—	33 1	4 —	70 6	4 —	46 —	—	—	35 —	14 —	5 1	3 —	2 —	3 —	1 —	217 —	—	—	—	1 —	—	—	—
Ober- and Mittelfranken	2,140,055	c p	—	—	—	—	—	106 2	24 —	123 28	6 2	60 —	—	—	431 —	112 4	4 —	—	—	5 1	—	815 —	—	—	6 —	—	—	4 —	
Niederbayern and Oberpfalz	1,966,526	c p	—	—	—	—	—	35 1	9 —	56 24	7 1	26 —	1 —	—	241 —	58 —	9 —	1 —	—	—	—	507 —	—	—	2 —	—	—	12 —	
Schwaben	1,018,162	c p	—	—	—	—	—	38 1	6 —	22 10	2 —	99 —	—	—	168 —	66 —	—	—	—	—	—	250 —	—	—	2 —	—	—	30 —	
Oberbayern	2,094,785	c p	—	—	—	—	—	69 2	17 —	77 16	11 1	136 —	1 —	—	414 —	102 —	2 —	3 —	1 —	2 —	—	280 —	—	—	5 —	—	—	63 —	
Kassel	1,042,724	c p	—	—	—	—	—	76 —	17 —	46 11	8 2	25 —	1 —	—	166 —	49 —	7 —	1 —	1 —	4 —	1 —	64 —	—	—	2 —	—	—	11 —	
Wiesbaden	1,322,421	c p	—	—	—	—	—	60 1	15 —	64 11	8 4	50 1	—	—	388 —	105 —	4 —	3 —	1 —	—	—	15 —	—	—	2 —	—	—	1 —	
Hessen	1,080,779	c p	—	—	—	—	—	65 —	14 —	56 7	13 —	54 —	—	—	155 —	45 —	2 —	—	1 —	1 —	7 —	267 —	—	—	—	—	32 —	2 —	
Baden	1,135,775	c p	—	—	—	—	—	91 2	18 —	56 17	21 —	77 —	—	—	193 —	30 —	1 —	1 —	13 —	—	—	1806 —	—	—	4 —	—	—	—	
Württemberg	1,908,151	c p	—	—	—	—	—	87 —	24 —	59 16	11 2	98 —	3 —	—	225 —	66 —	8 —	3 —	23 —	3 —	—	121 —	—	—	5 —	4 —	10 —		
Bremen Port Command	£	c p	—	—	—	—	—	38 1	4 —	16 7	6 —	—	—	—	167 —	48 —	4 —	1 —	—	—	—	279 —	—	—	—	—	17 —	—	
Berlin (US Sector)	934,000	c p	—	—	—	—	—	77 —	35 —	84 66	7 2	—	—	—	301 —	107 —	17 —	14 —	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5 —	—	—	

+ No data submitted. £ Bremen included in report from British Zone — not included in the totals on this report.

APPENDIX "B" Communicable Disease Report (by Land) United States Zone of Germany for Week Ending 8 June 1946

Land	Popu- lation	Cases, Deaths	Reported Number of New CASES and DEATHS of COMMUNICABLE DISEASE c: Cases d: Deaths																											
			Typhus Fever louse borne	Relapsing Fever	Smallpox	Cholera	Plague	Anthrax	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis lung and larynx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningitis meningococcus	Poliomyelitis	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid	Dysentery	Bact. Food Poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infectious Jaundice	Scabies	Rabies	Encephalitis epidemic	Malaria	Influenza	Measles	
Bavaria	8,146,734	c p	—	—	—	—	—	—	281	60	348	30	367	2	—	1289	352	20	7	3	10	1	—	2069	—	—	—	16	—	109
Greater Hesse	3,445,924	c p	—	—	—	—	—	—	201	46	166	29	129	1	—	709	199	13	4	3	5	1	11	346	—	—	—	4	32	14
Württemberg Baden	3,043,926	c p	—	—	—	—	—	—	178	42	115	32	175	3	—	418	96	9	4	36	3	—	—	1927	—	—	—	9	4	10
Bremen Port Command	473,000	c p	—	—	—	—	—	—	38	4	16	6	—	—	—	167	48	4	1	—	—	—	—	279	—	—	—	1	17	—
Berlin (US Sector)	934,000	c p	—	—	—	—	—	—	77	35	84	7	—	—	—	301	107	17	—	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	—

Case Rate Expressed as per 10,000 Population per Annum

Bavaria	8,146,734		—	—	—	—	—	—	17.98	3.84	22.27	1.92	23.49	.13	—	82.50	22.53	1.28	.45	.19	.64	.06	—	132.42	—	—	—	1.02	—	6.98
Greater Hesse	3,445,924		—	—	—	—	—	—	30.35	6.95	25.07	4.38	19.48	.15	—	107.06	30.05	1.96	.60	.45	.75	.15	1.66	52.25	—	—	—	.60	4.83	2.11
Württemberg- Baden	3,043,926		—	—	—	—	—	—	30.44	7.18	19.66	5.47	29.92	.51	—	71.48	16.42	1.54	.68	6.16	.51	—	—	329.52	—	—	—	1.54	.68	1.71
Bremen Port Command	473,000		—	—	—	—	—	—	41.76	4.40	17.58	6.59	—	—	—	183.53	52.75	4.40	1.10	—	—	—	—	306.62	—	—	—	1.10	18.68	—
Berlin (US Sector)	934,000		—	—	—	—	—	—	42.89	19.50	46.79	3.90	—	—	—	167.68	59.60	9.47	—	7.80	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2.78	—	—

APPENDIX "C"

Communicable Disease Rates United States Zone of Germany for Week Ending 8 June 1946

Regierungs- Bezirk	Popu- lation	Typhus Fever	Relapsing Fever	Smallpox	Cholera	Plague	Anthrax	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis lung & larynx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningitis meningococcus	Polio-myelitis	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid	Dysentery infectious	Bact. Food Poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infectious Jaundice	Scabies	Rabies	Encephalitis epidemic	Malaria	Influenza	Measles
Total US Zone	15,570,584	—	—	—	—	—	—	24.32	6.04	23.53	23.22	14.20	—	—	89.66	24.88	1.95	.50	1.85	.59	.07	.36	143.29	—	—	1.12	1.19	4.39
Mainfranken	927,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	18.51	2.24	39.27	24.25	81.20	—	—	19.63	7.85	2.80	1.68	1.12	.56	—	—	121.74	—	—	.56	—	—
Ober- and Mittelfranken	2,140,055	—	—	—	—	—	—	25.76	5.83	29.89	1.46	14.58	—	—	104.73	27.22	.97	—	—	1.21	—	—	198.04	—	—	1.46	—	.97
Niederbayern and Oberpfalz	1,966,526	—	—	—	—	—	—	9.24	2.38	14.78	1.85	6.86	.26	—	63.62	15.31	2.38	.26	—	—	—	—	133.85	—	—	.53	—	3.17
Schwaben	1,018,162	—	—	—	—	—	—	19.42	3.07	11.24	1.02	50.59	—	—	85.85	33.73	—	—	—	—	—	—	127.75	—	—	1.02	—	15.33
Oberbayern	2,094,785	—	—	—	—	—	—	17.11	4.22	19.10	2.73	33.73	.25	—	102.67	25.30	.50	.74	.25	.50	—	—	69.44	—	—	1.24	—	15.62
Kassel	1,042,724	—	—	—	—	—	—	37.92	4.48	22.95	3.99	12.47	.50	—	82.83	24.45	3.49	.50	.50	2.00	.50	2.00	31.94	—	—	1.00	—	5.49
Wiesbaden	1,322,421	—	—	—	—	—	—	23.58	5.89	25.15	3.14	19.65	—	—	152.48	41.26	1.57	1.18	.39	—	—	—	5.89	—	—	.79	—	.39
Hessen	1,080,779	—	—	—	—	—	—	31.26	6.73	26.94	6.25	25.97	—	—	74.55	21.64	.96	—	.48	.48	—	3.37	128.43	—	—	—	15.39	.96
Baden	1,135,775	—	—	—	—	—	—	41.68	8.24	25.65	9.62	35.27	—	—	88.39	13.74	.46	.46	.46	.95	—	—	827.14	—	—	1.83	—	—
Württemberg	1,908,151	—	—	—	—	—	—	23.75	6.55	16.11	3.00	26.75	.82	—	61.42	18.02	2.18	.82	.62	.82	—	—	33.03	—	—	1.36	1.09	2.73
Bremen Port Command	£	—	—	—	—	—	—	41.76	4.40	17.58	6.59	—	—	—	183.53	52.75	4.40	1.10	—	—	—	—	306.62	—	—	1.10	18.68	—
Berlin (US Sector)	934,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	42.89	19.50	46.79	3.90	—	—	—	167.66	59.60	9.47	—	7.80	—	—	—	—	—	—	2.78	—	—

+ No data Submitted £ Bremen included in report from British Zone — not included in the totals on this report.

(Rates Expressed as per population 10,000 per Annum).

APPENDIX "D"

Incidence of communicable Animal Diseases in United States Zone of Germany for period 1-15 May 1946 (Summarized from Semi-monthly Reports of Regierungsbezirks-tieraerzte)

Figures are numbers of farms newly infected during the period

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Area	Anthrax	Blackleg	Cholera of pigs	Cholera of fowl	Colital vesicular exanthema of cattle	Contagious pleuropneumonia of cattle	Dourine of horses	Encephalomyelitis of pigs	Encephalomyelitis of horses	Erysipelas of pigs	Foot-and-mouth disease	Glanders	Infectious abortion of cattle	Infectious abortion of sheep	Infectious anemia of horses	Malignant edema of cattle	Plague of fowls	Pox of sheep	Rabies	Scabies of cattle	Scabies of horses	Scabies of sheep	Strangles of horses	Trichomoniasis of cattle	Tuberculosis of cattle	
		16			1				2	116	46	1	11		10		246				333	4			16	1
		14	1	1	12				1	168	11	2	7		4		376			2	81	5			1	6
		17	1	1	25				3	182	6	1	2		15		431				106	9				7
		18	19	8	8				4	310	8	3	1		34		304			2	82	2			2	12
LAND BAVARIA		9			8					191		2	1		28		300				51	2			2	
	Mainfranken									15					1						3					
	Ober- & Mittelfranken *																									
	Nied. Bay'n & Oberpfalz *																									
	Schwaben				6					38		2	1		5		1					4	1		2	
	Oberbayern *																									
	LAND GREATER HESSE		9	19						63	8				3						7					
	Kassel		9	19						33											2					
	Wiesbaden									17	8				1						1					
	Hessen									13					2						4					12
LAND WUERTTEMBERG-BADEN									4	56		1			3		4			2	15				10	
	Baden									24		1					4				5				2	
BREMEN ENCLAVE																										
	Württemberg								4	32					3					2	19					
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